RI Historical Cemeteries Awareness and Preservation Weeks

APRIL - MAY 2022

The RI Advisory Commission on Historical Cemeteries and the RI Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission present RI Historical Cemeteries Awareness and Preservation Weeks. Learn about Rhode Island's historic cemeteries and burial grounds by participating in clean-ups, tours, open houses, gravestone conservation workshops, and other programs.

All events are free and open to the public. Please note:

- Many programs have a limited capacity, and some hosts have requested registration by email (noted in description).
- All programs are subject to change. Please check the website to confirm details before you head out.
- Please be respectful of mourners and property stewards.

This calendar was prepared on 3/31/2022. Please consult www.preservation.ri.gov/cw-events or <a href="www.preservation.ri.gov/cw

APRIL

DATE/TIME	DESCRIPTION
LOCATION	
Sat April 2, 9am	Join volunteers to clean up the cemetery and lift sunken gravestones.
Amos Whitford Lot	Contact: Dory Wagner dorwagg@aol.com
Off Rt 102 behind Exeter	
Chapel/Library	
Exeter	
Sat April 2, 10am	Join volunteers for a clean-up.
Wilson Family Cemetery	Back-up site Obadiah Johnson Lot, side street at Pole 126, Harkney Hill Rd.
2750 Harkney Hill Rd	Rain date 4/3 @10am
Coventry	Contact: Charles Vacca <u>coventrycemeteries@gmail.com</u>
Sat April 2 (and	Most of Trinity Churchyard's 250 graves date to the 18 th century, representing the fine
Saturdays), 1pm	work of stone carvers from the John Stevens Shop (still in operation today) and John Bull.
Trinity Church Graveyard	If you miss the cemetery tour, you can visit the church 10am-4pm Saturdays.
Corner Spring/Church Sts	Tour limit: 8.
Newport	https://www.trinitynewport.org/
	Contact: TrinityTours100@gmail.com
Sat April 2, tbd	Join volunteers for a clean-up.
Major Adams Lot	Contact: Russell Dinoto <u>russell.dinoto@hotmail.com</u>
390' east of North Rd at	
pole #988	
South Kingstown	
Sun April 3, 12pm	Join volunteers for a clean-up.
Israel Lewis Cemetery	Meet: I-95/Rt. 138 Park + Ride.
Richmond	Contact: Dory Wagner dorwagg@aol.com
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Tues April 5, 10am	Join naturalist Jay Manning for a Birds and Burials walking tour. Visit the Norman Bird
Norman Bird Sanctuary	Sanctuary's three burying grounds to learn about their history and take in the sights and
583 3rd Beach Rd	sounds of the Sanctuary's spring birds.
Middletown	https://www.normanbirdsanctuary.org
	Rain date April 8; repeats April 25
Thurs April 7 (+	Join the Glocester Historical Cemeteries Committee for their weekly clean-ups and
Thursdays), 10am	gravestone repairs.

Enoch Steere Lot	Contact: Bill Brown billbrown8686@gmail.com
Saw Mill Rd	
Glocester	
Sat April 9, 8am	Burrillville Historical & Preservation Society hosts a clean-up, gravestone conservation
Riverside Cemetery	demonstration, and stone cleaning information.
Callahan School St	Contact Betty Mencucci <u>bmencucci@verizon.net</u> , Ron Lapierre <u>rplapierre@aol.com</u>
Burrillville	
Sat April 9, 10am	Pawtuxet Valley Historical and Preservation Society presents a walking tour focused on
Maple Root Cemetery	the evolution and symbolism of gravestones, as well as some interesting people.
Harkney Hill Rd, Coventry	Rain date 4/10
	Contact: Charlie Vacca <u>charlesvacca@gmail.com</u>
Sat April 9, 10am	Karin Sprague will host an open studio in the space where she designs and carves
Karin Sprague Stone	gravestones.
Carvers	Spaces are limited and reservations are required: call 401-934-3105.
904 Tourtellot Hill Rd	www.karinsprague.com
Scituate	
Sat April 9, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat April 9, tbd	Join volunteers to clean up this cemetery.
Champlin Church lot	
200' SE of Post Rd/Rt 1 on	
Ninigret Wildlife Refuge	
Charlestown	
Tues April 12, 5pm	Join Director Annalisa Heppner for a walking tour featuring some of North Burial
North Burial Ground	Ground's most noteworthy interments—Rhode Islanders who "Dared to Live Different"
5 Branch Av	and defied norms of their time to make an impact on history. Meet artists, circus
Providence	performers, suffragettes, philanthropists and more!
	Meet at Rochambeau Gate (near corner of North Main St/Rochambeau Ave)
	https://www.providenceri.gov/providence-parks/north-burial-ground/
	Limit: tbd
Weds April 13, 6pm	Season kick-off presentation: Lew Keen will share the Newport Cemetery Commission's
Newport Public Library	work in 2021 and preview events scheduled for 2022. Featuring a tribute to Judah
300 Spring St	Touro.
Newport	Contact: ntphistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
Sat April 16, 9am	Volunteers will clean headstones.
Ladd School Residents Lot,	Contact: Dory Wagner dorwagg@aol.com
RI Vets Cemetery	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
301 South County Tr	
Exeter	
Sat April 16, 10am	Join members of the Glocester Conservation Commission to clean up this rural cemetery.
Asaph Wilder Cemetery	Contact Roy Najecki Roy@Najecki.com
190 Joe Sarle Rd	
Glocester	
Sat April 16, 10am	North Kingstown Town Historian Tim Cranston will lead a walking tour of a cemetery that
Elm Grove Cemetery	contains relocated burials spanning three centuries. Learn about the folks who made
960 Tower Hill Rd	Wickford, tales of mariners and farmers, and North Kingstown's unique connection to
North Kingstown	the movie "12 Years a Slave." Sponsored by Historic Wickford, Inc.
5	https://histwick.org/
	Meet at Cranston family plot near southernmost entrance.
	Limit: 40
Sat April 16, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat April 16, tbd	Join volunteers for a clean-up and watch a gravestone cleaning demonstration.
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Next to Union	Contact: Rich Keene rfkeene6@gmail.com, Denis Chamberland
Cemetery/opposite 108	denis.p.chamberland@gmail.com
Smithfield Rd	
North Smithfield	Historia Man Vatarana Wallowith William Caldwall Mast autoida Main affica (andina
Weds April 20, 1-3pm	Historic War Veterans Walk with William Caldwell. Meet outside Main office (parking
Swan Point Cemetery	available). https://swanpointcemetery.com/
585 Blackstone Blvd	Limit: 40
Providence	Registration required: anitav@swanpoint1846.com
Fri April 22, 3pm God's Little Acre at	Historian Keith Stokes will lead a walking tour of God's Little Acre, the nation's oldest
	documented and extant burying ground for people of African heritage. Its many 18 th - and
Common Burying Ground Farewell St	early 19 th -century gravestones illustrate the creative survival of Africans and African Americans in colonial Newport.
Newport	https://www.colonialcemetery.com/
Newport	
Sat April 23, 9am-noon	Limit: 20 Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com Join volunteers for a clean-up. Sponsored by Johnston Historical Society.
Cedar Lot	Contact Steve Merolla SMerolla1@cox.net Elise Carlson wardenclyffe@cox.net
	Contact steve Merona <u>sivieronal@cox.net</u> Ense canson <u>wardencryne@cox.net</u>
George Waterman Ave. Johnston	
Sat April 23, 9am	Join volunteers for a clean-up.
Brayton Cemetery	Contact: Pegee Malcolm pmalcolm@cox.net
3468 Post Rd	Contact. Pegee Marcolli pharcolli (@cox.net
Warwick	
Sat April 23, 9am	BYO rakes and tools and friends to clean up this long-neglected cemetery.
Midville Golf Course	bro takes and tools and menus to clean up this long-neglected cemetery.
Wakefield St	
West Warwick	
Sat April 23, 10am	Join volunteers for a clean-up. Wear long pants, long sleeves, and gloves. Sponsored by
Bernon/St. James	Woonsocket Historical Society.
Cemetery	Contact: Greg Duhamel grizroots501@gmail.com
99 Logee St	Contact. Greg Bundiner grizirodissorie gmain.com
Woonsocket	
Sat April 23, 11am	Cemetery clean-up. Join volunteers to clear vines, leaves, branches, and debris. Wear a
Common Burying Ground	mask, and BYO gloves. City will provide tools or BYO.
Farewell St	Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
Newport	<u> </u>
Sat April 23, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat April 23, 1pm	Join volunteers for a clean-up. BYO gloves and briar/vine cutting tools. Rain date 4/30.
Old Lake Cemetery	Contact: Sue Anderson gsriengr@yahoo.com and Jim Spears jim.spears.@cox.net
Furey Ave, Tiverton	<u> </u>
Sat April 23, 1:30pm	Public Historians Traci Picard and Bridget Hall will lead a tour of the Free Grounds area at
North Burial Ground	North Burial Ground. Participants will discuss free burial in Providence, the politics of
5 Branch Ave	memory, and the ethics of studying potter's fields and other free burial areas. Meet at
Providence	the bridge which crosses the Blackstone Canal—see map.
	https://thefreegrounds.squarespace.com
Sun April 24, 2pm	River Bend Cemetery (1849) will host an Open House, welcoming visitors to the newly-
River Bend Cemetery	renovated office (1901). Volunteers from Babcock-Smith House will give walking tours of
117 Beach St	select Westerly granite monuments and host a sale of maps, books, and DVDs.
Westerly	i e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
	Refreshments.
	https://riverbendcemetery.org/ https://www.babcocksmithhouse.org/
Mon April 25, 10am	

	Rain date April 28.
Weds April 27, 7pm	Archaeologist Kimberly Smith will present a program on historic cemeteries.
Scituate Preservation	https://www.facebook.com/ScituatePreservation/
Society	
706 Hartford Pike	
Scituate	
Sat April 30, 9:30am	Join volunteers to clean up Island Cemetery.
Island Cemetery	Contact: info@islandcemetery.com
30 Warner St, Newport	https://www.islandcemeterynewport.com/
Sat April 30, 10am	Celebrate North Burial Ground's 200 th anniversary with a walking tour, featuring the
North Burial Ground	rural cemetery, its ancient headstones and Victorian monuments, and its new 110-tree
1081 Hope St	mini-arboretum. Meet between brick chapel and foot of Civil War monument lawn.
Bristol	Contacts: Charlie Cavalconte <u>ccavalconte@yahoo.com</u> , Carol Gafford
Bristor	nebg02809@yahoo.com
Sat April 30, 10am	Tim Cranston will lead a six-cemetery walking tour of Cooper-Whitford Lot, Old
Updike Park	Narragansett Cemetery, Fowler-Weeden-Wightman Lot, Eliphalet Young Lot, Quaker
West Main/Brown Sts	Meeting House Lot, and Wall/Llufrio Lot. Sponsored by Daffodil Days in Wickford Village.
North Kingstown	https://wickfordvillage.org/
North Kingstown	Contact: Tim Cranston gcranston@northkingstown.org
	Limit: 30
Sat April 30, 10am	Before Benefit Street was laid out in the 1700s, Providence was peppered with small
Tillinghast Burial Ground	family burial grounds. Join volunteers for a clean-up at the last survivor: Tillinghast Burial
398 Benefit St	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Ground. A short history of the site will be available. https://www.tillinghastsociety.org/
Providence	Contact: Bruce Tillinghast: wbt213@gmail.com
Sat April 30, 10am	Monument repair demonstration led by volunteers. Rain date May 1.
Rice Cemetery, behind	Contact: Charlie Vacca <u>charlesvacca@gmail.com</u>
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Ave, West Warwick	Coop B. boundles be a collision to a Cooper and the Way and a Utility State of the collision and
Sat April 30, 10am	Greg Duhamel leads a walking tour. Co-sponsored by Woonsocket Historical Society and
Bernon Cemetery	Blackstone Valley Historical Society.
99 Logee St	Contact: Greg Duhamel grizroots501@gmail.com
Woonsocket	
Sat April 30, 10:30am	Heritage Alliance of Pawtucket and Public Archaeology Laboratory invite you to discover
Mineral Spring Cemetery	the history of this 18 th -century cemetery and "meet" its residents, including prominent
4815 Mineral Spring Ave	Pawtucket citizens and veterans of the Revolutionary War and Civil War. Also learn how
Pawtucket	ground penetrating radar was used to find unmarked graves in the cemetery.
	https://www.heritagepawtucket.org/ https://www.palinc.com/
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Sat April 30, 11am	Architectural historian Ron Onorato will lead a walking tour of this small colonial-era
Coddington Burial Ground	burial ground, also known as The Governors' Burial Ground. Six Rhode Island governors
34 Farewell St	are interred here, more than any other cemetery in the state.
Newport	Limit: 15 Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
Sat April 30, 12:30-2pm	Island Cemetery is hosting an Open House, inviting visitors to view the ongoing
Belmont Chapel at	restoration of Belmont Chapel.
Island Cemetery	www.belmontchapelfoundation.org
30 Warner St	
Newport	
Sat April 30, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)

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Sun, May 1, 9:30am	Take an easy 3-4 mile hike 3 cemeteries in the Carolina Mgt Area and encounter
Carolina Mgt Area	wildflowers, wildlife, open fields, forests, and old homestead cellar holes. From Rt. 12,
Pine Hill Rd	meet at parking area on south side of Pine Hill Rd near DEM building just east of meadow
Richmond	brook bridge.
	Contact: Dory Wagner dorwagg@aol.com
Sun May 1, 1pm	Burrillville Historical & Preservation Society presents a tour featuring the history of the
Sayles Cook Cemetery	nearby mill and the mill owners buried in the cemetery, as well as a discussion of
High St	conservation projects. Contact Betty Mencucci <u>bmencucci@verizon.net</u> , Ron Lapierre
Burrillville	rplapierre@aol.com
Sun May 1, 2pm	Dave Weed of the Sowams Heritage Area Project will lead a walk at the site of a 15 th -
Burr's Hill Park	century royal Pokanoket burial ground.
540 Water St	Meet at the historic marker across from Town Beach.
Warren	https://sowamsheritagearea.org/wp/
Sun May 1, 7pm	Join the Friends of the North Burial Ground and Randall Park and NBG Director Annalisa
North Burial Ground	Heppner to talk about ways to get involved with the Friends group, plus a short, fun
5 Branch Ave	program!
Providence	https://www.providenceri.gov/providence-parks/north-burial-ground/
Fri May 6, tbd	Join Sarah Zurier (RIHPHC) and Caroline Stevens (Doors Open RI) for a Jane's Walk of
Locust Grove Cemetery	Plats, Lots, and Plots at Locust Grove Cemetery (1847). Let's walk and talk about
442 Elmwood Ave	cemeteries as spaces for mourning and remembrance—and real estate and recreation.
Providence	http://www.doorsopenri.org/janeswalk/
Sat May 7, 10am	The East Providence Historical Society hosts both a clean-up and a self-guided tour. For
Newman Cemetery	the clean-up, please bring a rake and yard bag if possible. For the tour, learn about the
Corner of	rich history of Newman Cemetery and its noteworthy gravestones.
Newman/Pawtucket Aves	Contact: Sandra Turgeon <u>friendsofnewmancemetery@gmail.com</u>
East Providence	
Sat May 7, 10:30am	Heritage Alliance of Pawtucket and Public Archaeology Laboratory invite you to discover
Oak Grove Cemetery	the history of this cemetery, established in 1832 and used in ways that might surprise
Cottage St/Central Ave	you. Also learn how ground penetrating radar was used to find unmarked graves in the
Pawtucket	cemetery.
	https://www.heritagepawtucket.org/ https://www.palinc.com/
	Limit: 20
Sat May 7, 11am	Join volunteers for a gravestone cleaning project at a remarkable colonial burial site.
Clifton Burying Ground	Marking the graves of notable Newport residents, many of these impeccably carved
Golden Hill St (behind	headstones are encrusted with algae and lichens. The City will provide materials and
library)	training.
Newport	Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
Sat May 7, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat May 7, tbd	Foster Preservation Society hosts a clean-up, featuring a demonstration of how to reset a
Solomon Drown Cemetery	fallen gravestone and how to clean gravestones.
Mt. Hygeia Rd	Contact FPS fosterfps@msn.com
Foster	
Sat May 7, tbd	Learn about the dos and don'ts of historic gravestone cleaning from a National Park
Grace Church Cemetery	Service conservator.
10 Elmwood Ave	https://www.gracechurchcemeteryri.org/
Providence	Limit: tbd
Weds May 11, 1-3pm	Join architect Cornelis J. de Boer AIA for an Architectural Walk of Historic Buildings at
Swan Point Cemetery	Swan Point Cemetery. Meet outside Main office (parking available).
585 Blackstone Blvd	https://swanpointcemetery.com/
Providence	Limit: 30
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Weds May 11, 7pm North Scituate Community	Scituate Historic Cemetery Committee presents a program about the Russell Smith Lot and the residents buried there.
House 546 W Greenville Rd	Contact Skye Pechie tmbgambassador@gmail.com
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Sat May 14, 9am-4pm	Burrillville Historical & Preservation Society hosts a gravestone conservation workshop.
Pascoag Cemetery	Learn the basics of cleaning, resetting, and repairing gravestones.
Cemetery Hill Rd	Contact Betty Mencucci <u>bmencucci@verizon.net</u> , Ron Lapierre <u>rplapierre@aol.com</u>
Burrillville	Dewington Competent Competence and Dublic Archaeology Laboraton will be best a
Sat May 14, 10am-2pm Allin Yard	Barrington Cemetery Commission and Public Archaeology Laboratory will co-host a
	program to include: gravestone cleaning demonstration by trained volunteers, walking
115 Bay Spring Ave	tour, and presentation of cemetery mapping, inventory, and ground-penetrating radar
Barrington	survey work.
	https://www.barrington.ri.gov/cemeterycomm https://www.palinc.com/Limit: 20.
	Contact: Suzanne Cherau suecherau@cox.net
Cat May 14 10am	
Sat May 14, 10am Zebina Cook Lot	Join volunteers for a clean-up. Wear long pants, long sleeves, gloves.
	Contact: Greg Duhamel grizroots401@gmail.com
Rear of Bissonnette	
ballfield on Elder Ballou Rd Woonsocket	
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Sat May 14, 11am	Join volunteers to clean gravestones at "The Governors' Burial Ground." Many of the
Coddington Burial Ground	slate stones are covered with algae and lichens. The City will provide materials and
34 Farewell St	training.
Newport	Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
Sat May 14, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat May 14, 1pm	Visit the Silas Casey Burial Ground, where 32 members of the Casey family were interred
Casey Farm	from the early 18 th century through the mid-20 th century. The small family burying
2325 Boston Neck Rd	ground is a significant feature of Casey Farm's landscape, stewarded and interpreted by
North Kingstown	Historic New England. www.historicnewengland.org/property/casey-farm/
	Repeats May 21, May 28 Limit: 40
Cat May 14 1 1 mg	Meet at Casey Farm Market information table
Sat May 14, 1pm	Walking tour: this cemetery has the most slate stones of any Tiverton cemetery and
Old Congregational Church	includes markers for 16 Revolutionary War veterans and 2 Civil War veterans. Rain date
Cemetery Lake Rd, Tiverton	5/21 Contact: lim Spears iim spears @sex not and Sue Anderson geriengs@vahoe.com
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Sat May 14, tbd	It's a scavenger hunt! Find 25 items in the cemetery. At several of the headstones, you'll also find people talking about residents including Judge Brayton. Themas Vaill, the
Brayton Cemetery 3468 Post Rd	also find people talking about residents including Judge Brayton, Thomas Vaill, the
Warwick	Budlong family, circus skinny man, and others. Also watch cleaning demonstrations and learn about headstone symbolism.
vvai WICK	Contact: Pegee Malcolm pmalcolm@cox.net
Sun May 15, 1pm	Join the Woonsocket Historical Society for a walking tour.
Precious Blood Cemetery	Contact Irene Blais Iblais198@aol.com
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Rd	
Woonsocket	
	"If Troop Could Talk " Swan Boint Compton/s Director of Harticulture Vally M. Barry lands
Weds May 18, 1-3pm	"If Trees Could Talk." Swan Point Cemetery's Director of Horticulture Kelly M. Perry leads
Swan Point Cemetery 585 Blackstone Blvd	a tree walk. Meet outside Main office (parking available).
	https://swanpointcemetery.com/
Providence	Limit: 40 Registration required: anitav@swanpoint1846.com
Sat May 21, 9am	Cranston Cemetery Commission invites volunteers to a clean-up at Pocasset Cemetery.
Pocasset Cemetery	Contact: John Hill jhchcc167@gmail.com

417 Dyer Ave	
Cranston	
Sat May 21, 10am	Greg Duhamel leads a walking tour. Sponsored by Woonsocket Historical Society and
Zebina Cook Lot	Blackstone Valley Historical Society.
Rear of Bissonnette	Contact: Greg Duhamel grizroots401@gmail.com
ballfield on Elder Ballou Rd	Contact Greg Puntamen grizi octo i o zeg gritamocii.
Woonsocket	
Sat May 21, 11am	Join volunteers to paint fencing at the Arnold Plot. The City will provide paint and
Common Burying Ground	brushes. Please wear clothing that can get messy.
Warner St entrance	Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com
Newport	
Sat May 21, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat May 21, 1pm	See May 14 (Casey Farm)
Sat May 21, 1pm	Naturalist Greg Gerritt will lead a walking tour of amphibian habitats in North Burial
North Burial Ground	Ground, focusing on Ridgeside Lake and a small rainwater pool. Participants will learn
5 Branch Ave	how to spot amphibian refuges, and they may also encounter young hawks about to
Providence	fledge in the cemetery. Limit: 40
	https://www.youtube.com/user/Moshassuckcritters
	Contact: gerritt@mindspring.com
Sat May 21, tbd	Annual clean-up of this public historic burying ground in anticipation of Memorial Day
Cross Mills Public Burying	Parade gathering. If time permits, volunteers will tend the General Joseph Stanton
Ground	monument and cemetery next to Wilcox Tavern.
Old Post Rd	Contact Pam Lyons pam@oceanhousemarina.com, Susan Angelo
Charlestown	susan1angelo@icloud.com
Sat May 21, tbd	Contact: Rich Keene <u>rfkeene6@gmail.com</u> or Denis Chamberland
Union Cemetery Annex	denis.p.chamberland@gmail.com
North Smithfield	
Thurs May 26, 6:30pm	Jamestown Historical Society presents a screening of "Cemetery Tour – Stories in Stone."
Jamestown Philomenian	The video features costumed interpreters telling the stories of locals buried at the Cedar,
Library	Friends, and Hazard Family Cemeteries.
26 North Rd	Contact: Rosemary Enright rxenright@gmail.com
Jamestown	
Sat May 28, 1pm	See Sat Apr 2 (Trinity Church Graveyard)
Sat May 28	Bristol Historical & Preservation Society will host a day-long event focused on historic
Bristol	cemeteries.
	https://bhpsri.org
Sat May 28, 1pm	See May 14 (Casey Farm)
Sat May 28- Mon May 30	Flagging veterans' graves
9am	Contact:
Locations tbd	
Coventry/West Warwick	
May tbd	Post 19 American Legion hosts an event to flag veterans' cemeteries and graves
Scituate	https://www.facebook.com/ScituatePost19/
	Contact Skye Pechie tmbgambassador@gmail.com, Fred Faria ftfaria001@gmail.com

APRIL - MAY

Ongoing April – May	Enter through the lych-gate (1897) to enjoy this audio tour of the historic churchyard and
St. Columba's Churchyard	its notable burials, including several stones by the John Stevens Shop in Newport.
55 Vaucluse Ave	www.stcolumbaschapel.org/about-us [stcolumbaschapel.org] (see "The Churchyard")
Middletown	

Ongoing April – May	On exhibit: Memoria: Care Work and Memory in the Free Burial Ground. This installation
John Nicholas Brown Ctr	honors the memory of the residents of the Potter's Field and Free Ground at
357 Benefit St	Providence's North Burial Ground. Extended past March 18!
Providence	https://events.brown.edu/jnbc/event/227277-public-humanities-lab-memoria-care-
	work-and
Ongoing April – May	Let's play Headstone Bingo—a family friendly search and find Bingo game with
North Burial Ground	headstone iconography. Download the Bingo game from the NBG website (below) and
5 Branch Ave	take your family on a self-guided exploration of the cemetery.
Providence	https://www.providenceri.gov/providence-parks/north-burial-ground-tours/
Ongoing April – May	Celebrate NBG's earliest burials by photographing your favorite details from our earliest
North Burial Ground	headstones (1700-1799). Be creative: a perfect headstone doesn't necessarily make the
5 Branch Ave	best photo! Be careful: don't modify stones or attempt to move them. To share: Tag
Providence	@pvdnorthburialground on Facebook or Instagram—or—DM your photo to NBG on fb or
	ig—or—Email northburialground@providenceri.gov with subject "1700s Photo Contest."
	We put our 10 favorite photos to a vote on NBG's Facebook and Instagram!
	https://www.providenceri.gov/providence-parks/north-burial-ground/

JUNE

DATE/TIME	DESCRIPTION
LOCATION	
June 4/11/18/25, 10am	Join Newport Cemetery Commission volunteers in refreshing marble gravestones. The
Common Burying Ground	City will provide materials and training.
Farewell St	
Newport	Registration required: npthistoriccemeteries@gmail.com

DATES TBD; INFORMATION FORTHCOMING

Block Island	Perpetual care program/walking tour/clean-up.
	Contact: Pam Gasner pamgasner@icloud.com, Mike Shea cemeteries@new-
	<u>shoreham.com</u>
Central Falls	Perpetual care program at Moshassuck Cemetery
	Contact: moshassuckcemetery@hotmail.com
Cranston	Contact: Sherry Arruda historyinri@gmail.com, Walter Slocumb
	walterslocumb@hotmail.com
	Clean-up at CR054 Thomas Baker Lot located 300' NW of 64 Verdant Dr and almost to
	an open field beyond. Contact – Drake Patten hurricanehillfarm@gmail.com
Cumberland	Clean-ups planned at CU003Cumberland Cemetery on Dexter St and CU033 Kimball Lot.
	Contact: Keith Hainley dkhainley@gmail.com , Judy Hadley treelady@cox.net
East Greenwich	Tbd
Foster	Two more programs in development:
	1) Clean-up and documentation of graveyard at Foster Poor Farm/Asylum. Date
	tbd.
	2) Volunteers welcome to participate in locating previously undocumented
	cemetery discovered on a plat and lot map.
	Contact: Foster Preservation Society <u>fosterfps@msn.com</u>
Hopkinton	Contact: Jim Chabot jchabot4@gmail.com, hopkintonhistorical@gmail.com
Lincoln	Clean-up and restoration project at LN014 Lydia Harris Lot located 250 feet east of
	Eddie Dowling Highway and 45 feet NE of Sherman Ave. Flagging veterans' graves.
	Contact: Ken Postle postle6@cox.net
Little Compton	Perpetual care program and clean-ups.
	Contact: Marjory O'Toole lchistory@littlecompton.org
Middletown	Contact: Chuck DiTucci history@middletownsociety.org

Narragansett	Contact: Russell Dinoto <u>russell.dinoto@hotmail.com</u>
North Providence	Clean-up and restoration project at NP002 Peach Hill Cemetery. Contact Ken Postle
	postle6@cox.net for info on how to enter cemetery. Contact Joe Giammarco-
	ltutal@aol.com
Pawtucket	Flagging veterans' graves. Contact: Ken Postle postle6@cox.net
Portsmouth	Cemetery tours at Portsmouth Abbey and Lawton Valley (limited availability). Clean-up
	of PO002 William Hall Lot.
	Contact: Stephen Luce <u>Stephen Luce@uri.edu</u>
Smithfield	Perpetual care program and clean-ups.
	Contact: Skip Tuetken <u>friendsofsmithfieldcemeteries@gmail.com</u>
Tbd	Join DAR and other volunteers to clean up this burying ground. Gardner Tefft served in
Gardner Tefft Lot	the Revolutionary War as a member of the Kingston Reds under Capt John Gardner in
1000' N of Curtis Corner Rd	1775 and participated in Spencer's and Sullivans expeditions to Newport.
at pole #4866	Contact Russell Dinoto <u>russell.dinoto@hotmail.com</u>
South Kingstown	
Tbd	Join DAR and other volunteers to clean up this burying ground. Joshua Tefft was found
Joshua Tefft Lot	guilty of high treason for his alliances with the Narragansetts during King Philip's War.
2275' E of Ministerial Rd at	Contact Russell Dinoto <u>russell.dinoto@hotmail.com</u>
pole #9243	
South Kingstown	
Warren	Kickemuit clean-up
	Contact Barbara Hail barbarahail@401gmail.com
	Additional events
	Contact: Judith Fardig jafl939@aol.com
West Greenwich	Contact: Charlene Butler <u>ckb39@cox.net</u>